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25X1 [redacted]  
25X1 1. [redacted] Accompanied [redacted] OGC, who testified before the Subcommittee in Government Information and Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, from about 0930 hours to 1430 hours, with a half hour break for lunch, on [redacted] dealings with the Department of Justice on the [redacted] case. In connection with questioning on subjects other than this case, I was forced to call Chairwoman Bella Abzug's (D., N. Y.) attention to Mr. Colby's letter to her authorizing [redacted] to testify only on the subject of the hearing. The apparent conflict between Justice and the Agency results from the misinterpretation of the Agency's assertion of state secrets to protect intelligence sources and methods as foreclosing any justice in court review of the merits of this contention. We were directed to return at 0900 hours tomorrow morning with a number of documents including those which would support this contention and all of [redacted] reports to the Agency. A transcript of this session was taken. 25X1

25X1 2. [redacted] Marty Fitzgerald, GAO, called to explain his need for two copies of the GAO audit of [redacted] in order to furnish them to Chairman Jack Brooks, Subcommittee on Legislation 25X1 and National Security, House Government Operations Committee, and to Chairman Otis Pike, House Select Committee on Intelligence. Per Fitzgerald, Chairman Brooks' requirement has been approved by Chairman Melvin Price, House Armed Services Committee (Bill Hogan, House Armed Services Committee staff, had alerted us earlier) and Chairman Pike imposed the 25X1 requirement for his copy on Comptroller General Staats.

25X1 GAO will also provide a copy of their report on the Air Asia liquidation to these Committees. [redacted] Review Staff [redacted] SOG, and [redacted] EO/DDA, have been advised.

25X1 3. [redacted] In response to his earlier call, reviewed with Mark Kleiman, Legislative Assistant to Representative Les Aspin (D., Wis.), some of the background of OMB's review of Agency activities in connection with budget preparation and approval.

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6. [redacted] - LLM) In response to his request to [redacted] called Rob Roy Ratliff, National Security Council staff, and gave him a rundown on reporting under the Foreign Assistance Act.

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7. [redacted] In the absence of Marian Czarnecki, Chief of Staff, House Committee on International Relations, relayed to his Staff Assistant, Noel Daoust, my conversation with Joe Murray, GAO, concerning briefings on nuclear material. Daoust will refresh Czarnecki's memory that pursuant to arrangements between Mr. Czarnecki and Mr. Cary we would report directly to the Committee and not through GAO. If there are any problems Czarnecki will call.

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8. [redacted] Accompanied [redacted] OER, to the Senate where [redacted] briefed Dorothy Fosdick, David Vienna and Howard Feldman, on the staff of the Senate Government Operations Subcommittee on Investigations. The briefing concerned USSR grain needs. The Senate staffers were largely interested in how much grain the Russians would buy beyond the 14.8 million tons already contracted for this year. [redacted] indicated that this was a difficult question to answer at the moment but we should have a fix by 11 August. [redacted] indicated that our assessment was virtually identical to that of the Department of Agriculture.

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After the briefing, I discussed briefly with Mr. Feldman the possibility of getting together on the 29th of July to discuss Senator Henry M. Jackson's (D., Wash.) interest in allegations of Agency involvement in the counterfeiting of U.S. currency. He will call me when he is ready.

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9. [redacted] Met with Al Tarabochia, Chief Investigator, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security, and gave him additional information provided by the DDO concerning the female Cuban national, Alina Alayo Amaro, in whom Tarabochia has an interest.

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10. [redacted] Called Kathleen Benson, Executive Assistant to Representative John E. Moss (D., Calif.), and made arrangements [redacted] to meet with the Representative at 4:00 p.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, 29 July, in the Congressman's office to discuss the contents of his file.

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25. [REDACTED]

Talked with Sally Shelton, Legislative Aide to Senator Lloyd Bentsen (D., Tex.), and told her Mr. Cary [REDACTED] would brief the Senator at 3:00 p.m. on Portugal. I asked if anyone else was going to sit in and she said only the Senator would be present.

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27. [REDACTED]

Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called and asked if the 11:00 a.m. session scheduled for tomorrow could be changed to 3:00 p.m. After checking the Director's schedule, I called Slatinshek back and told him there might be a problem with the Director but, if so, General Walters would be there to brief the Committee.

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28. [REDACTED]

Called Michael Oppenheimer, of GAO, by way of follow-up to his telephone call [REDACTED] the other day on GAO's investigation of the [REDACTED] incident. I told him that we had been in touch with the NSC staff which is trying to focus on this matter on a Government-wide basis since DOD and State agencies and NSC were all involved. I told him as soon as I received some guidance from the NSC staff, I would be in touch with him. I mentioned in the course of our conversation that under normal circumstances we would respond directly to congressional committees on a matter of this sort, but in view of the involvement of the NSC and the others, we would await the White House's guidance.

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29. [REDACTED]

Elly Vogtmann, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called and asked if the briefing scheduled for Friday at 10:00 a.m. could be changed to 11:30. After checking with the Director's office, I confirmed 11:30.

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30. [redacted] During the course of the day I talked with Les Janka, on the NSC staff, to see if I could get further information about the following: handling of the GAO inquiry [redacted] -- this is still up in the air but I mentioned that we were doing a post-mortem on this which might be of some help; the Allen Dulles testimony of 1960 which is on General Brent Scowcroft's, Deputy Assistant for National Security Affairs at the White House, desk for clearance -- Janka said he would do what he could on this; and the briefing of the House Armed Services Committee on the intelligence [redacted] -- I told him that the Director had been standing by at the House Armed Services Committee to brief that group for over 45 minutes and we were still hopeful that the briefing would take place (as it turned out the Committee was unable to complete its open session on three pieces of legislation and arrangements were made for General Walters to come back tomorrow at 2:30).

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31. [redacted] In a conversation with Ralph Preston, staff of the House Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, I advised him of the Chairman's discussion with the Director regarding the possible Subcommittee action [redacted] I said we had recently "scrubbed this down" and would be happy to provide any information on this subject which the Subcommittee might desire. Preston suggested that when it became a little clearer as to just what the Subcommittee proposed to do, that he and the Chairman get together with the Director and myself along with our project officer to discuss the matter further. I told him we would be happy to do this and would await his call.

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32. [redacted] Talked with Ed Braswell and Clark McFadden, both of the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, to bring them up to date on several items including the Director's final decision on the letter to Representative Jack Brooks (D., Tex.) on his request for a copy of the 1973 IG report and several other items. I also mentioned that we were installing an FBIS ticker in the Library of Congress so they could handle congressional inquiries on FBIS matters. Braswell seemed to think that this was a good idea.

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